

CUTTING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PRESETTING A CUTTING APPARA- TUS

Abstract

In cutting devices (10), in particular microtomes or ultramicrotomes (24), it is necessary to preset the specimen onto the knife (14). To improve the accuracy and reproducibility of this presetting operation, which is intended to ensure the quickest and most accurate possible positioning of the knife (14) relative to the specimen, a pivotable observation device (10), in particular a stereomicroscope, is provided. The observation device (10) is coupled to a pivoting device (28) that comprises a positioning device (29). The positioning device (29) is embodied in such a way that a positioning of the observation device (10) at a defined angle is possible.